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### N. R. P. A.

#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

We will now see how many patriot: we have left after the per diem stops. The News and Observer has discov ered 'a reign of terror" in the legisla

It is not in good taste to refer to the soldiers in the standing army of Greece as "Greasers."

Last Friday was a repetition of th famous "Black Friday" so far as our legislature is concerned.

With the Populists who didn't bolt all is lost save honor. We will publish a roll of honor in the near future.

McKinley was elected four months ago and confidence has not been restored. He has been President five days and confidence is not restored. But we are waiting.

That public business is a private snap has been too generally conceded to provoke dispute, but it begins to look as if the Knights of Labor were going to raise the question as to vali dity of claim.

Certain attorneys in the legislature who are evidently practicing law for the corporations, are violating their oaths. Great pity that sufficient evi dence cannot be secured to convict and punish such cattle.

We are anxious to be disappointed agreeably. But the administration that starts out with John Sherman as the leading Cabinet officer will car tainly break all records if it does any thing for the country of a commend able nature.

Secretary Gage now says that he any interview concerning national finances. Which side will you believe? stuff. At any rate when the World and Gage fall out honest people can begin to regain confidence.

We have received from the Southern Planter Pub. Co., Richmond, Va., a copy of "Vegetable Growing in The South for Northern markets," by Prof. P. H. Rolfs, of Florida. It is an interesting and valuable work, contains 244 pages, neatly bound. Price \$1 25.

Who is President of The American Cotton Co. ? John E. Searles, of New York. Who is he? John E Searles is Secretary-Treasuer of the well known Havemyer Sugar Trust. Yet the Manufacturers Record says a cotton trust is impossible. It is a trust defen-

A new word is coined almost every day in the year by some more or less enterprising American citizen. Here goes another: The bolting Populists and their allies will be known from this day as "Pietriots." Definition: Men who believe one thing and do another; traitors for pie.

It is said that Gov. Russell sometimes indulges in cuss words when talk- the railroadites insisted that there had ing about the way the legislature is doing. The people must not condemn elected Freeman Speaker pro tem. He the Governor too severely. This writer | declined to proceed. Finally the memhas lived a blameless life for more than a quarter of a century, but is now selecting some choice little cuss words o'clock. and committing them to memory.

UNDER A NEW KING.

On last Thursday King Cleveland went out of the White house the second time and King McKinley entered for the first time-as President. Mr. Cleveland has served-who?-not his coun try, for eight years. He went out at the end of his second term with more enemies than any other President ever made. Doubtless the few thousand millionaries who were beneficiaries feel grateful to him in a way, but they look upon him with contempt since they no longer have any use for him. He is shorn of his great power. The people of this country may elect another man President who is no better, possibly have done so in electing Mr. McKinley, but, if so, it was done blindly. The people always have good intentions. They cannot be deceived by Cleveland again, hence he is shorn of his power. Did Cleveland sell out to the money

lords? It has been so charged time and again. We believe he did. The evidence is purely circumstantial. Such things are managed so that it is difficult to fasten the crime upon any President to a certainty. He goes out of office leaving a dark trail of nearly 70,000 business failures in four years. During that time prices of real estate have fallen from thirty to fifty per advertisement in THE PROGRESSIVE cent in city and country and prices were at the low water mark when his term began. The market value of many staple products has declined steadily, business in every line is less. But Providence has smiled upon the people, giving them bountiful crops every year. Meanwhile the army of unemployed has increased three fold sunset. Behind me are the shadows on and wages have declined more than 30 per cent to those having regular em ployment. When we consider all this the trouble must be due to bad government. No other cause is visible.

What of the future? We can only hope. McKinley was inaugurated on a beautiful spring like day. The sun shone bright and the sky was cloudless. On March 4 h, 1893, when Cleveland was inaugurated a blizzard was raging. Let us hope that McKinley's administration will be like the inaugural day, calm and serene. Let us hope that the money power has accomplished its present purposes, and that policy, if nothing else, will cause it to keep hands off and allow the wheels of industry to turn once more; that selfishness will not continue to cloud the vision of the men who have held back progress and crushed hope for so long. May they be able to see the ruin they have wrought and learn that the live and let live policy is the best for all men to

### THE WAY OF THE TRANS-GRESSOR.

The transgressor has his troubles Mr. Swinson, late Enrolling Clerk thinks he has a pretty pair of trans gressors in the persons of Lieut. Gov. Renolds and Speaker Hileman. So he had thetwo distinguished citizens before Magistrates Marcom and Nichols in this city, Thursday afternoon. The warrant charged them with making forcible entrance into his office on the 12th of February; that they unlaw fully broke into Swinson's desk and took charge of his papers, books, etc Swinson's Counsellor, Mr, Douglass, appeared for him and Senator Smathers and Hon. T. R Purnell appeared for the defendants. After hearing the testimony of a number of witnesses. Speaker Hileman was discharged. The magistrates withheld their decision as to the Lieut. Governor until they could fully read up on the law. The result was the release of the Lieut. Governor never furnished the New York World on Saturday. And the history makers continue to turn out batches of the real

## A LEGISLATIVE ROW.

There was a lively fracas in the House Friday. Cook, of Warren, was in the chair, and just before twelve, Sutton. of Cumberland, arose and asked consent to call up a resolution asking the Supreme Court to render an opinion on the Senate railroad lease bill, the opinion to be furnished Saturday. Just after he began to speak, Blackburn, of Ashe, arcse and tried to get the atten tion of the chair. Failing, he stated that the special order for the day, the lease bill, was to be taken up at twelve and demanded that Sutton be ordered down. The uproar soon became great, many members trying to get recognition, and the hubbub increasing all the while. Finally a motion to adjourn was voted on and the Speaker declared the House adjourned, though there was doubt about which side had the majority. Division was called, but Speaker pro tem Cook gave no attention. Many members left the House. Speaker Hileman ordered the clerks to enter adjourned on the journal. But been no legal adjournment, and finally bers who remained gave it up and went

We cannot say who was in fault-

both sides, probably. The action of Speaker Cook savored strongly of the manner in which Chairman Allen adjourned the St. Louis Convention after Tom Watson was nominated for Vice-President. At least two thirds of the delegates opposed adjournment, but the Chairman declared the body adjourned. The delegates, however, re mained in their seats and then Allen had the electric lights turned off. Speaker Cook couldn't work the electric light button, but he adjourned anyhow.

Saturday morning the row began again in earnest. All day and until midnight there was a deadlock. Lusk was in the chair. Speeches galore were made, but the Chairman only recog nized his friends. The body did not adjourn for dinner nor supper. Many members sent for food. At midnight the House took a recess until Monday morning, but did not adjourn.

We have always condemned filli bustering tactics in legislation, and while the fillibusterers in this case may be on the right side, we cannot endorse that way of doing things-or rather not doing things.

#### IT IS AWFUL.

Just think! Senator Early, of Bertie has stopped his paper. So has Senator Barker, of Lincoln. Then there is Hodges, of Beaufort, and Flake, of card or an advertisement. Anson. Mr. Flake, of Anson, is not a member of the legislature; nobody has said anything about him. But you know the dentists say that sometimes when a tooth begins to ache, another one on the other side of your mouth will hop up and begin to ache out of pure sympathy. Mr. Flake is aching from "sympathy." So he bolted.

Senator Barker writes: "You wil please stop my paper, as I cannot al low such stuff to come in contact with my family." We suppose that is the trouble with all of them. Don't want "such stuff to come in contact with their families." As a matter of fact this isn't the first time politicians have fallen out with THE PROGRESSIVE FAR MER for telling the plain, unvarnished truth. Democrate have tried to ruin the paper, Republicans have tried it, and now some ex Populists are going to try their hand. We think at least two subscribers who want to read the truth will take the place of each one who is unwilling to see the truth pub

### CARLYLE'S PROPHECY COMES TRUE.

The following prediction was made by Thomas Carlyle, the celebrated English writer, many years ago:

'The republic west of us will have its trial period, its darkest hours. It is traveling the high road to that dire ful day. And the scourge will not come amid famine's horrid stride, nor will it come by an ordinary primitive judgment. It will come as a hiatus in statecraft, a mudderbugle in policy. It will be when health is intact, crops abundant, and munificent hand open. The so called statesman will cry over production, the people will go to the ballot box, amid hunger and destitu tion but surrounded by the glitter of self rule, and ratify by their ballots the monstrous falsehood, overproduc tion, uttered by mis statesmen, vindicating by the said ballot, the infamous lie. Overproduction thrown upon the breeze by servile editors, through a corrupt press, and this brings ruin upon his country, serfdom upon himself and oppression upon his children."

#### A NATION FILLED WITH BEG-GARS.

The New York Times says that Vice President elect Hobart has received every day since his election something like fifty letters begging for money. No small share of the petitions comes from churches that want Mr. Hobart to free them from debt, while not a few clergymen ask him to eke out their meagre salaries with a more or less generous contribution. A modest young woman writes from New Orleans for \$10,000 with which to complete her mueical education, and requests to be informed by telegraph as to the date on which the money will reach her. This letter fills thirty pages Another girl wants \$8 with which to buy a set of false teeth. She says oth her sisters are provided with these ornaments, and their chances of getting husbands have been much improved thereby.

The printers have a measure asking for governmental control of the telegraph. The printers have made this measure ther of jective point in a legislative way, and it is the most bitterly opposed measure confronting congress. The principal objection is found in the fact that it savors of socialism. The term has a terrifying sound to many ears that do not appreciate the beneficial features of a mild form of socialism as applied to governmental control to dinner. The House met again at 3 of the postoffice system, and fears its application to any other form of business.—Railroad Trainman's Journal.

A BILL FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEWSPAPERS.

Senator Parker, of Alamance, has introduced the following bill in the State Senate:

SEC 1. Whenever the publisher of a newspaper, in the conduct of his busi ness as a publisher of news, shall in such newspaper make a false publication, injurious to the reputation of any person, which if true would be of such public interest as would justify publication in such newspaper as public news, it shall be the duty of such person thereby injured, before instituting an action for damages because of such publication, by himself or agent, to notify said publisher, or his agent, that said publication is untrue, and demand the publication of a correction; and if said publisher shall, upon such demand, in good faith publish without delay, a suitable and ample correction, calcu lated and intended to repair the wrong, and shall on demand state the name of his informant or the source of his information, the same being a credible person or a credible source; then and in that case no action shall be main tained against the publisher of said newspaper for damages because of said injurious publication. Provided, That nothing in this act shall apply to statements published in any newspaper over the signature of any person as a

SEC 2 This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

#### -----THE LEGISLATURE.

More Expressions of Op'nion From Various Sections.

"In my opinion the legislature has done as near nothing as any body of men that ever assembled."-W. B. Hargravo. (Pustoffice not given).

"Give us war, pestilence, famine, cholera, snakes, long tailed lizards, but no more legislatures like the one now in session."-J. P. Sossaman, Charlotte, N. C.

"The legislature has allowed the trusts and combines all the power they State. Tell the legislators that the people are not asleep, but are watch ing and waiting."-W. W. Biggerstaff, World. Lincolnton, N. C.

### THE OLD GUARD.

Subscriptions, Renewals and Kind Words Extracted From Letters.

-J. H. Foushee, Person county, ends three renewals. Thanks.

-David Hutchens, Yadkin county, enews and writes: "I can't do with-

-Jonas Pasour, Gaston county, one of our staunch friends, sends a new subscriber and two renewals.

-J. W. Johnson, Stokes county writes that he likes THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER "the best of all papers."

-Robert P. Smith, Caswell county renews and writes: "THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER is the best paper I know of."

-L. P. Eckerd, Catawba county, re news and writes that he is well pleased with the tone of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER.

-J. T. King, Rockingham county, renews and sends same for a neighbor. He writes that he can't do without THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER.

-J. J. Brown, Hertford county, re news and writes: "I wish to take your paper as long as you stay as near right as you always have been."

—R. L Butler and J. T. Beatie, Beatty ville send renewals together and write: "Let THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER come on; we can't well do without it."

-E. H. Hayworth, Davidson county, renews and writes: "Can't keep up with affairs without THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER. Continue the good work and the people will stay with you"

do without. I endorse your stand in any time at his office, in the Capitol. every respect."

-A. E. Myers, Davidson county, sends a club of five and writes: "It would be an easy task to get subscribers for your paper if times were better, for everybody says THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER grows better year by year."

-M. A. Stirewalt, Rowan county, sends three renewals and writes: "We can't do without THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER. It is the best paper in the State and should go into the homes of every farmer. We heartily endorse your past course."

-J. J. Wilder, Franklin county, renews and sends same for a neighbor. He writes: "I greatly appreciate the welcome visits of THE PROGRESSIVE FARMER and heartilly endorse the action of the majority of our Populist ligislators."

-The following have also subscribed. renewed, or sent same for others durtonville, Texas; L D Holley, Bertie; J the "Criminal Docket," again,

C McMichael, Guilford; W C Rogers, Granville: Allen Johnson, Pitt; R A Hunt, Nash; JER Winstead, JJ Kiser, Rutherford; A D Burnett, Chatham; J R Brown, Randolph; C A Life, G H Koon, Rowan; TE Little, Pitt; & H Bright, Lenoir; S T Thorne, Halifax; GR Underhill, Franklin; B G Campbell, Randolph; E G Butler, Vance; W O Pelletin, Lenoir; H M Swinson, Duplin; S T Gupton, Franklin, and others.

#### CREAM OF THE PRESS.

Hard Hits, Bold Sayings and Patriotic Paragraphs From Reform Papers.

The dollar which means two bushels of wheat is much harder to get than the dollar which means only one .-Progressive Home.

Young Gould presented Miss Clemons, his sweet heart, with a \$100,000 fan. Very likely it was ornamented with gold bugs.—Cleburne Herald.

It is reported that nearly half of the people of Liverpool receive charitable relief. And this is in gold standard England.—The People's Advocate.

The men who know so much about money that they have got most of it want the government to go out of the money business entirely.-Mississippi Farmer. Many reformers are becoming of the

opinion that it would be well to let up a little on the education of the masses bloodshed, but I don't see any hope and devote more time and energy to lambasting the asses.—Southern Mercury.

Those people who think we have now reached the bottom of falling prices will please take notice that Gage proposes to knock the bottom out entirely by retiring the greenbacks and silver. -Brockton Diamond.

The republican plan for bringing back prosperity is to make money nine kinds of measels, roup, chicken scarcer and taxes higher. That is to say they propose for the country to lift itself up by its financial boot straps.-Mississippi Farmer. Grover Cleveland and the party

which wanted a chance and got it will soon be out of office, but a legacy in want to fleece the poor people of the the shape of \$262,000,000 in bonds remains as a reminder that the outfit was in control at one time. - Missouri Betting is a fool's argument, but we

will wager that to day there are con siderably fewer gold standard business men in this country than there were three months ago. They realize now the extent of the bamboozle game .-American Enterprise. Strange, is'nt it, the witnesses with

memories in such a degenerated condi tion as those who appear before the trust investigating committee of New York should be the millionaire promoters of these greatest of monopo lies.—Brockton Diamond.

A McKinley organ comes forward with the startling announcement that "the more the people talk hard times the harder they get." That paper has got the cart before the horse. It should have said: "The harder the times get, the more the people talk."-Western Watchman.

back with a jump," says Major Mc Kinley's personal organ over in Chicago. "We won't" says the Kansas tempts to endorse measures not ap Oity Times. "If she enters with a proved by millionaires, loses its news glide, or a 3 o'clock in the morning stagger; if she moseys in on one leg, live. Papers have been killed in this nay, if she even chases backward on her sur single, or waltzes gently for ciated Press service is cautioned not w ward on her ear, we'll welcome her and dust off the best seat in the house ment telegraph. The press must for her to sit on. It don't make one dif of bitterance how she comes but the whenness of her coming is a matter of great interest."—Billings Times.

## WAKE COUNTY BUSINESS AGENT

The Alliance brethren of Wake county are informed that Bro. W. H. -J. M. W. Alexander, Cabarrus Worth has been selected as County county, renews and writes: "I don't Alliance Business Agent. He has acwant to do without your paper. It has cepted and is ready to transact any too much valuable reading matter to business in that line. Can be found at combination which has made the build

## CAN'T GET JUSICE.

with the legislature. She would be a for the afflicted in New York is com novelty if she were. She asked that a mendable. But when we consider the committee be appointed to look into Mr. Morgan has brought calamity the court methods employed to keep the entire country, we are free to col her out of her property early in the fess that the providing of a building session. The Judiciary Committee reported the bill favorably and it passed the Senate. Senator Smathers and others aided in getting it through. But the bill has had many ups and downs in the House, finally going to the table. Then Mrs. Arrington asked for the use of the House one hour one evening last week to state her case. Permission was granted, but Mr. Lusk and others "cussed" about it and the motion was reconsidered. Mrs. Arrington deserves consideration, but not having a pocketful of money she will fare like everybody else who can't buy the support of ing the past two weeks: E W Reade, certain members-get nothing. She Person county; H M McCuriston, Pat- says she is going to start her paper,



He Still Has Troubles of His Cwa-Cuba Will Not Be Free Until the Legislature Adjourns -- Zeke and G. B. Ought To Be Preserved. B.—"Hello! Mr. Editor."

R.-"Hello! Major. Hope you an enjoying life as a good citizen should"

B.-"I'm doin' my best ter enjoy my short stay on this here earth, but some times I feel like it mite be better ter cross over the river an' see whutin goin' on on tother side. The legislator keeps me dodgin' awl the time. I don't know whut it iz goin' ter do next. I'w bin takin' a rite smart lot ov stock in the Cuban war an' hopin' that this government will interfere an' stop the until after the legislature adjourns. reckon the President iz afeard that the standin' army will be needed ter suppress the legislature, so it will be dangerous to git into war, or risk git tin' inter it, until the legislature adjourns, an' the Lord only knows when that will be."

"You seem to think that there is danger of a riot in the legislature."

B. - "Of course there is danger, Why diin't Ki Gudger, who isn't a member of the legislature at all, but probably a railroad attorney, have to get in the House Friday and proclaim the peace? That was funny business, Wonder who incited the riot, the railroadites or the anti-railroadites? But I've got my eyes on Washington now. The goldbug Dymakrats seem ter be comin' ter the front an' I'm goin' ter be ready if lightning strikes. I'm waitin' for McKinley ter recognize us. It is a long lane that has no turnin' and I'm hopin' that McKinley will help us fellows out. Me and Col. G. B. Alford orter be recognized, for we are about awl that's left ov the gold Dyma krat party now. If the goldbug wanter save seed in this State they had better preserve me an' G. B. in alchohol or in sallysillick acid, for we won't keep in hot weather without some preservin' fluid. Yours for what ever happens. Gude bye."

People often wonder why no great daily ever advocates the people's cause I'll tell you why. The people's CRUSE is not that of the millionaire. The millionaires own the telegraph systems of this country. The newspapers must depend upon the telegraph companies for their news service. It is in the power of the telegraph compa-"Don't expect prosperity to come nics to refuse this service to papers, or to charge so much that they cannot pay it. Thus a newspaper that at service, and without this no paper can way. Every paper taking the Asso print arguments favoring a govern free before the people can be freed.

J. Pierpont Morgan has proposed to

build a hospital in New York City

cost \$1,000,000, provided that city wil

furnish funds to continue its work after the building is completed. This act is classed as noble, magnificent, b the press throughout the country Were it not for the fact that Mr. Mor gan is the leading character in t ing of such an institution necessary, robbing the poor all over the United States, we might agree with our con temporaries that the contribution Mrs. Arrington is not at all pleased \$1,000,000 by him to build a hospits shelter a few of his victims in No York City is wholly inadequate to 8 pease the countless thousands w have been made sick and sore by evil influences growing out of the rol beries he has committed within in past few years. We fail to see when the returning of \$1,000,000 of the Per ple's money to the afflicted citizens New York entitles Mr. Morgan to an honor, since that amount pales into I significance when compared to amount he has looted from the peop and which still remains in his posses sion.—Birmingham Labor Advocate. J. Pierpont Morgan and the Roth

childs are the real owners of "

Southern Railroad system in this Stan